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AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TRANS-ANDEAN PIPELINE: SOVIETS NOTTO SUPPLY

PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS

REF: MOSCOW 6709, LIMA 8864 OF 10/18/74 (BOTH NOTAL)

1. WELL-INFORMED EXECUTIVE OF U.S. OIL COMPANY HERE
(COLOMBIAN CITIZEN) TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER IN CONFIDENCE
MAY 20 THAT A COLOMBIAN COMPANY WAS RECENTLY APPROACHED
BY PETROPERU TO FURNISH PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS FOR THE
TRANS-ANDEAN PIPELINE. THESE TANKS WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE
BEEN SUPPLIED BY THE SOVIET UNION. EXECUTIVE SAID HE
DID NOT KNOW WHY DEAL WITH SOVIETS FELL THROUGH AND SPECU-
LATED THAT THIS TOPIC MAY HAVE BEEN ON COMMERCE MINISTER
ARIAS GRAZIANI'S AGENDA DURING HIS VISIT LAST WEEK
TO THE SOVIET UNION.

2. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FURNISHED TO US
BY COFIDE (STATE DEVELOPMENT BANK) OFFICIAL LAST YEAR
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(SEE LIMA REFTEL) SOVIETS WERE SCHEDULED TO SUPPLY \$7

MILLION WORTH OF STORAGE TANKS, AND
THE AGREEMENT HAD ACTUALLY BEEN SIGNED.
HOWEVER, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, OFFICIAL GOP GAZETTE NEVER
PUBLISHED TERMS OF ACCORD.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY POSSESS REGARDING THIS DEVELOPMENT.

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